

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, December 12, 1726.

From the St. James's Evening Post, Dec. 3.

Lisbon, Nov. 16.

Between the 16th and 23d Inst. arrived here the Colehester Man of War Capt. Clinton, from the Sreights; Ludlow-Castle Man of War, Capt. Stoloe, from New England. The Ludlow Castle, in her Passage from Newfoundland to Lisbon, saw in the Latitude of 34 North, 6 tall Ships, whom the Crew judged were Spaniards. This hath occasioned a Report of the Flota being sailed from the Havana for Cadix. As good Part of the Bahia Fleet did not arrive at Lisbon till 5 Days after the Ludlow Castle; 'tis not improbable that the 6 Ships seen by her were Part of the Bahia Fleet.

Vienna, Nov. 27. We are assured, that in case of a War, the Emperor will commission Count Guido Staremberg to command in Italy.

Madrid, Nov. 19. The Regiments of Bourbon, Flanders, Alcantara, Seville, Malta, Calatrava, and Estramadara, have been sent out of the Principality of Catalonia, the four first of them into Valencia, and the three last into Arragon. Three Battallions of the Regiment of Spanish Guards, three of the Walloon Guards, two of the Regiment of Ireland, one of that of Altorzia, and one of that of Elmerick, have been likewise sent out of the said Principality; the 6 first and the last to be quartered in the Kingdom of Valencia, and the others in Arragon. The Regiment of Foot that was in the last of those Provinces, was ordered to Ciudad Real; the Artillery of which City is considerably augmented chiefly on the Side of the Sea. The Marquis of Risbourg, who has commanded this Year in Catalonia, is to return thither next Month, to be present in a great Council of War, which the King will hold before Christmass. A Hundred and fifty Pieces of Cannon were lately sent from hence for Galicia, where they are to be mounted on Carriages.

Rome, Nov. 16. The Portugal Ambassador has once more communicated to his Holiness, the Contents of an Express he lately received from Lisbon; wherein his Portuguese Majesty reiterates his In-

stances for the Promotion of M. Bichi: And it appears that these Remonstrances do not much please his Holiness, who tho' willing to oblige his Majesty in this Particular, is opposed by a Set of Prelates, who insist that Persons of more Merit ought first to be promoted; and that it is a Matter not usual, to promote any recommended Prelate before the Court Favourite. In the mean Time these Differences are like to occasion further Troubles, if not timely accommodated.

Venice, Nov. 26. The French Ambassador had on Wednesday last, a Conference with several of the Senators; and 'tis not doubted but he will succeed in bringing this Republick into the Treaty of Hanover.

Paris, Dec. 7. The Council of Commerce have under Consideration, whether it will be for the Service of the Kingdom, to make Use of the Machine invented by the Englishman formerly mentioned, for Spinning Wooll or not.

Spittlefields, Nov. 30. Here is a great Talk amongst the Weavers, of a Machine or Engine that is invented by a Master Weaver near the Cross in Coventry, that will weave as many Dozen Yards or Pieces of Ribbon or Lace in a Weeks Time by one Mans attending it, as twelve Men can weave in the Time.

From the Evening Post, Decem. 3.

Paris, Dec. 7. At the Royal Hunting Match which was made for the Diversion of his Majesty, on the 29th in the Forest of Senard, a Stag fighting himself hard prest, turned short, and run so furiously against two Noblemen, that he threw both them and their Horses down, but by good Fortune they received no Hurt. All the Governments of this Kingdom, are again put upon the same Foot as they were in the Time of the late King. There was lately sent from la Fere to Strasburg 100 new Cast Guns.

Bristol, Nov. 16. A few Days a good large flat Fish, in Shape every way like a Flounder, was caught in our River, being five Foot in length, and two and a Half in Breadth, weighing about 25 Pounds.



London, Dec. 3. Letters, from New York Oct. 20 say, That in two preceeding Months above 1000 Passengers from England Holland and Ireland, had arrived there and at Philadelphia.

From *Mist's Weekly Journal*, - - -

By Letters from the North we learn, that the new Levies are carried on by the Czarina's Order with great Diligence, and that 4 new Regiments of 3000 Men each, besides Officers, are to be completed so early as to be able to rendezvous in the Spring near Riga, where there is to be a great Body of Troops.

From Poland they write, that since the breaking up of the Diet of Grodno there is no Talk of any Redress to the Protestants of Thorn; the Diet having while it sat, shewed no Inclination to make any Concessions on that Head at the Instance of Foreign Courts.

And from Berlin, That upon the late Treaty betwixt the Emperor and the King of Prussia, the latter has the Liberty of raising Grenadiers in Austria and the other Hereditary Countries.

Recruits are raising in several Foreign Countries.

Bath, Nov. 26. All Diversions being over here, except a little moderate Gaming, the Place is become so thin, that there are almost as many Physicians as Valetudinarians. The Gaming this Season was very high; several found it much more than a Diversion, particularly a certain gay Gentleman, who is said to have wept bitterly for losing a few Thousands.

Devizes, Nov. 28. The riotous Weavers are still up about Bradford, Melham, Holt, Troubridge, and other Places. Yesterday at Midnight a Troop of Dragoons marched hence in two Bodies, one of them filed off to the Town of Bradford, and the other to the Parish of Melham to sustain the High Sheriff, who resides there, and who 'tis said has been forced to quit Ground to the Loom and Shuttle Forces.

They write from Sherborn, that one George Newman, a Gardener in that Town famous for producing Vegetables uncommon and curious, has had this Year in his Garden a Radish that weighed Forty five Pound Weight and an half, and a Musk Mellon which measured 27 round; the latter was of a fine Flavour, and wrought all over with delicate Net-Work.

London, Decem. 3. The Half-pay Officers, upon a Prospect of War, are bestirring themselves for honourable Employments.

The Lord Arniston, one of the Lords Justices of the Sessions, being dead at Edinburgh, is succeeded by the Lord President's Son, now in Town, who will be going for Scotland in a few Days.

Rabbits, or no Rabbits, has been the great Dispute this Week; the extraordinary Woman who has been delivered of so many at Godalmin, is by his Majesty's Order brought to Town, that a strict Enquiry may be made into the Matter.

They write from Switzerland, that the Popish Cantons have promised to stand to the old Alliance with the Emperor.

Sir ----- Wild, a Roman Catholick of Dorsetshire, is soon to be married to a Daughter of the Lord Aston, a Niece of his Grace the Duke of Norfolk, who is set out hence in order to be present at the Nuptials.

'Tis said the Spanish Ambassador is to continue here till the Parliament meets, to know what Resolution they will take.

From the *London Gazette*, Dec. 3.

Lisbon, Nov. 27. Last Week arrived here in 96 Days the Fleet from Bahia, consisting of 50 Merchant-ships, under Convoy of a Man of War: the other and chief Convoy-ship of 70 Guns, called the Santa Rosa, met with a most unfortunate Accident coming from Bahia off Cape St. Augustine: The Powder took Fire, and Ship blew up; out of 600 Men only 7 were saved. 'Tis computed there were 3 Millions of Crusados on board. This Fleet has 11000 Chests of Sugar, and 25000 Kells of Tobacco, besides great Numbers of Hides.

From the *Whitehall Evening-Post*, Dec. 3.

Stockholm, Nov. 24. Some Days ago the Accession to the Hanover Treaty, and some other Affairs of Consequence signed by the King and the Senate, were communicated to the Secret Committee and the States of the Kingdom, and recommended to their serious Consideration.

Hague, Decem. 4. 'Tis now assured, that next Spring a strong Squadron will be put to Sea for securing the Commerce of the Subjects of this State.

Paris, Decem. 7. On the 3d Instant Mr. la Frentz, charged with the Affairs of the King of Denmark at this Court, presented to the King, according to Custom, on the part of his Danish Majesty, 8 Hawks very beautiful and of an extraordinary Bigness; with which his Majesty seemed well pleased. While the King goes to Compeigne next Spring, the Queen will drink the Waters at Bourbon.

Vienna, Nov. 20. They write from Stockholm, That the Swedish Nation is very much disgusted at the Russian and another great Court, since they have found among Count Welling's Papers, Things striking directly at their Liberty, which makes the Duke of Holstein's Interest considerably decline in that Kingdom.

From the Amsterdam Gazette, Dec. 10.

Cologne, Decem. 6. They continue to work on the Fortifications of Dusseldorp, wherein 300 Men are to be employed all the Winter.

Brussels, Decem. 5. Last Monday our most Serene Governess went to the Church of the Carmelites founded by the Infanta Isabel. Her most Serene Highness solemnized the Anniversary of the Death of that Princess, and dined in that Convent. On Tuesday she assisted in the Church of the Jesuites, at the Mass celebrated for the Feast of St. Francis Xavier.

Last Friday a great Council of War was held, whereat assisted the General Count Vhelen, having come hither for that Purpose from his Government of Aeth. The next Day her most Serene Highness received an Express from London, dispatched hither by the Baron Palm, the Emperor's Minister at that Court.

Milan, ---- We are assured, that the Republick of Genoa is augmenting their Troops with eight Companies of Foot; and that the King of Sardinia has ordered a great many Horses to be bought up for remounting the Cavalry. His Majesty is fortifying Valence.

From the Supplement to the Amsterd. Gazette, Dec. 10.

Petersburg, Nov. 16. We are assured from Vienna that the Emperor, at the Solicitation of the Court of Russia, has resolved to repeal the Commission of the Execution established at Meclemburg, and to re-establish the Duke the Beginning of next Year.

Rome, Nov. 16. The Feast which Cardinal Cinfuegos gave on account of the Feast of St. Charles, was among the most Magnificent: The Table represented a Spread Eagle; the Head was managed by the Cardinals Bentivoglio, Belluga, Davia, Busi and Cinfuegos; the Body, by the Foreign Ministers; the Prelates and Noblemen were about the Wings and Tail. The Envoy of Tripoli is arrived here, and next Tuesday is to have an Audience of Cardinal Cinfuegos, to whom he will present two

Oxen and two wild Lambs, two Tygers, two Leopards, and six white Horses.

Baden, Novem. 27. The late Difference betwixt the Court of Rome and the Canton of Lucerne is at last compromised.

Madrid, Nov. 19. There are published of late a great many Pieces of News, to which knowing People give but little Credit; amongst the rest, that our Troops will be augmented to above 100,000 Men, and that a Fleet of 50 Men of War will be put to Sea next Spring. The Scarcity of Pence, occasioned by detaining the Galleons, is a great Let to these Armaments: But 'tis said the Grantees and States of the Kingdom have promised to assist his Majesty with their All, in order to enable him to make good his Engagements. 'Tis also said, that Admiral Castagnetta is to assemble the Spanish Men of War now in the W. Indies, and give Battie to Admiral Hosier.

Extract of a Letter from Madrid, Nov. 24.

We are assured, that the Answer of the K. of G. Britain to the Demands of his Catholick Majesty, touching the English Fleet's continuing on the Spanish Coasts, and before Porto Bello, is in Substance, That the Emperor having engaged to procure to Spain the Recovery of Portmahon and Gibraltar, his Britannick Majesty thought himself obliged to see to the Safety of these Places. And as to America, he was to provide for the Security of the Commerce of his Subjects, which had suffered of a long Time. Whereupon his Catholick Majesty has sent a Reply to Colonel Stanhope, to be communicated to his Master.

Edinburgh, Dec. 12. Last Week one Margaret Nisbet, Spouse to Alexander Macleod Wigmaker in Leith, having been for these several Weeks on her Trial before the Lords of Session, for Forgery, &c. was delivered over to the Justiciary, (having been clearly convicted) to be rewarded according to her Merit.

And Tomorrow one John Gibson, Wright in Cannongate is to appear before their Lordships, having, as is alledged, been accessory to the said Forgery.

P. S. The great Storm of Snow that has fallen these two or three Days past, having retarded the Post, we were obliged to publish without News.

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THE DIRECTORS of the BANK of SCOTLAND having certain Knowledge, that some wicked and malicious Person or Persons have been and are endeavouring to Counterfeit the Company's Twenty-shilling Notes, and to impose them upon innocent and honest Persons: These are therefore to desire all Persons to whom any Twenty-shilling Notes shall be presented, to look if the Words **BANK OF SCOTLAND** be in the Paper in it's proper Place, above the Treasurer's Subscription; but in case they observe the said Words be stamp on the Back side of the Note, and not to have been done originally with the Paper itself, they are not to receive the same, but to take special Notice and Knowledge of the Person who offers such Note; and to discover the same to the Treasurer of the Bank. And the DIRECTORS hereby faithfully promise to give a Reward of *One Hundred Pound Sterling* to any who shall discover and cause apprehend any Person guilty of or accessory to the said Forgery, so as he may be brought to condign Punishment, and the Discoverer's Name shall be concealed. This by Order of the COURT of DIRECTORS. Signed by me
DAVID SPENCE Secretary.

That the Lands of HOUSDALE, comprehending the Town and Lands of Knockwhairn, Housdale, Wackendale, Broomhills, Old and New Wester Eights, Culforry, Tilquohy, Dunbreck, Tillieboy, Kirkcoun of Ech, Moncecht, Meikle Bindorfy, Mill and Crofts thereof, Hillside, and New Mill of Ech: with a new well finished Maner Houfe, very good Gardens; and very large and regular Inclosures, wherein is already planted about 12000 Firs, many of them come to a considerable Growth; and many Thousands of Birks, Allers, Harles, Plains, Elms, and other barren Planting; all thriving and exceedingly well: Lying within the Parish of Ech, Shire of Aberdeen, and within 8 Miles of that City: Paying of yearly Rent, 1435 l. 7 sh. 8 d. 345 Bolls of Meal, 72 Bolls Bear and Malt, 414 Hens, 32 Capons not rented: Whereof about 1600 Marks of yearly Rent holds Blanche of the Duke of Gordon, for Payment of a Penny Scots Money, (if requir'd) and the Remainder holds Taxward of the Crown: ARE to be exposed to Sale by way of voluntar Roup in the Lalg Tolbooth of Aberdeen, upon the Fifth Day of January 1727, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 3 after Noon. The Progress and Rental are in the Hands of Mr. Alexander Thomson Town-Clerk of Aberdeen, where they may be seen by any who has a mind to purchase.

That on the 22d Day of December Inst. betwixt the Hours of two and four in the Afternoon, in the House of Mrs. Don Vintner in Edinburgh, there is to be sold by publick voluntary Roup, the Lands of Laghall, Netherton, Boigs, Priestlands, Redbrae, Woodhead and Miln Armanoch and Marchmont, with a Salmon Fishing on the Water of Nith, paying 107 l. 6 sh. 8 d. Sterl. of Yearly free

Rent, beside Kains and Casualties, holden of the Crown Taxward, lying within a Mile or thereby of the Burgh of Dumfries, the greatest Part thereof betwixt the Waters of Nith and Crigin, in the Parish of Troquaire and Stewartry of Kircudbright. The Progress of the Writs with the Rental and Conditions of Sale, to be seen in the Hands of Thomas Goldie Writer to the Signer at his Writing Chamber in Edinburgh.

There is to be exposed to voluntar Roup and Sale, on Thursday the 15th of December 1726, in the House of Patrick Herdman Vintner, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, the Town and Lands of CRAIGLOCKHART, Tower, Fortalice, Maner place, Houles, Biggings, Yards and Pertinents thereto belonging; being a good fertile Soil, pleasantly situate, having large Conveniency for Pasturage on the Hills belonging thereto; with the Houses and Stone-Quarrey pertaining to the same in Selatford. There is a large handsome House two Storey high, lately built on the said Lands, possessed by the Tenant, besides several other Conveniencies; such as a Brewery possessed by a Sub-tenant, a convenient Seat in the Church, and the like; lying about two Miles West from Edinburgh, in the Sheriffdom thereof, Parish of Hails, alias Collington. The Lands hold Blanche of the Crown. The Rental, Conditions of Roup, and Rights, are to be seen in the Hands of Thomas Johnston Writer in Edinburgh, in Mr. Allison of Birkhill's Writing chamber in Carrubber's Close, on the North side of the Street, above the Bishop's Land.

That the Lands and Baronies of LOUNAN, ETHIE, and NORTHARRIE, to be set up at TWENTY Years Purchase, and reckoning the Vidual over-head at Five Pounds Scots the Boll: are to be exposed to Roup and Sale on Friday the Sixteenth Day of December Inst. at three of the Clock in the Afternoon, in the House of Alexander Stuart Vintner in Edinburgh, either separately or altogether, as shall be determined at the Time of the Sale; and whereof the free Rent is as follows, viz. Of the Lands and Barony of Lounan, 3 Firlots, one Peck Wheat; 77 Bolls 1 Firlot, 2 Pecks Bear; 172 Bolls Meal; 633 l. 6 sh. 8 d. Scots of Money-Rent; 24 Capons; beside 156 Poultry, not valued in the Rental. Of the Lands and Barony of Ethie, 3 Bolls Wheat, 36 Bolls Bear, 119 Bolls, 2 Firlots Meal, 519 l. 13 sh. 4 d. Scots of Money-Rent, 9 Wedders, 21 Capons, 78 Elms of Linen Cloath, besides 99 Poultry, not valued in the Rental, And of the Lands and Barony of Northcarrie, 172 Bolls, 1 Peck, 2 Lippies Bear, 69 Bolls, 2 Firlots Meal; 262 l. 5 sh. 4 d. Scots of Money-rent, 16 Capons, 9 Elms of Linen-cloth beside 15 Poultry, not valued in the Rental. All the said Lands, holding Blanche of the Crown, and lying upon the Sea-coast, near and about the Burgh of Aberbrothock; and the particular Rental, Conditions of Sale, and Progress of the Writs, are to be seen in the Hands of William Mercer Writer in Edinburgh.

N. B. In our last, by Mistake, the above Lands were said to be put up at 21 Years Purchase, instead of 20.

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